

charge registering means for registering charge data out- 20  
put from said charging means.

subscriber identification means for reading an identifying information to identify a subscriber:

subscriber mode recognizing means for discriminating whether said information providing means provides said information a) to a subscriber display means, b) to a subscriber recording means or c) to said subscriber display means and said subscriber recording means;

charge registering means provided for every subscriber for registering a charge data output from said charging means; and wherein said charge registering means accumulates the charge data output from said charging means at said charge registering means corresponding 45 to said identifying information according to a discriminating information discriminated at said subscriber identification means.

provided information designating means for providing 50  
information requested by a subscriber to a server:

subscriber mode discriminating means for discriminating  
whether an information signal output from said infor-  
mation receiving means is provided a) to a display  
means, b) to a recording means or c) to both the display  
means and the recording means and informing said  
subscriber through said information receiving means.

information receiving means for receiving a provided information according to a request from a subscriber; subscriber mode discriminating means for discriminating 65 whether a further information signal output from said information receiving means is provided a) to a display

means. b) to a recording means or c) to both said display means and said recording means:

charging means for charging a different amount among a) in the case in which said further information is provided to said display means. b) in the case in which said further information is provided to said recording means and c) in the case in which said further information is provided to said display means and to said recording means according to an output of said subscriber mode discriminating means; and

charge registering means for accumulating an amount output from said charging means.

6. A subscriber apparatus as recited in claim 5; wherein the charge registering means periodically informs the subscriber's charge to a server.

7. A subscriber apparatus comprising:

demodulating means for demodulating an information signal provided by a server; and

terminal control means for inputting a demodulated information signal of said demodulating means, outputting a signal to recording means which records said demodulated information signal in a recording medium in which a subscriber identification number is recorded and controlling supply of the output signal; and wherein

said terminal control means registers said subscriber identification number recorded in said recording medium of said recording means and an information identification number provided from said server in said terminal control means, when a subscriber finishes the recording of the information signal provided from said server in said recording medium of said recording means.

8. A subscriber apparatus as recited in claim 7; wherein said demodulated information signal is not output to said recording means, when the subscriber identification number is not recorded in the recording medium of said recording means.

9. A subscriber apparatus as recited in claim 7 or 8; wherein

an identification number of said recording means is used instead of the subscriber identification number.

10. A subscriber apparatus as recited in claim 9 wherein: said subscriber is determined from the identification number of said recording means; and

a charge is collected from said subscriber.

11. A subscriber apparatus as recited in claim 10 wherein when the subscriber records information provided from an information providing apparatus, said information can not be recorded unless the subscriber is approved by the server.

12. A method for providing information on demand comprising the steps of:

receiving a request from a subscriber requesting information;

transmitting the information to at least one of a subscriber display means and a subscriber recording means for displaying and recording the information respectively, and

charging the subscriber one of a plurality of amounts depending upon whether the transmitted information is intended for recording on said recording means.

wherein said request for information indicates whether the subscriber is recording said information on said recording means.

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